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computer system connects to the computer system 800 and provides commands to it using the interface 814. Firmware or software running in the computer system 800 provides a terminal interface or character-based command interface so that external commands can be given to the computer system.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend Claims 1, 11, 17, 23 and 24, as presented below.

1 1. (Amended) A method for obtaining a current value of a Management Information base 2 (MIB) variable stored in a managed network device in a network, the method 3 comprising the steps of: receiving a connection of a Web browser to the network device; 5 receiving at the network device an HTTP request message from the browser to obtain 6 the current value of the MIB variable; 7 receiving the current value of the MIB variable from the MIB of the network device; 8 and 9 communicating the current value of the MIB variable from the network device to the 10 browser using an HTTP reply message. 1 11. (Amended) A network device, comprising: 2 a processor;



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- a Management Information Base (MIB) logically accessible by the processor and
- 4 comprising one or more stored values of MIB variables;
- 5 a Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) daemon executed by the processor;
- a Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) daemon executed by the processor;

7 stored instructions for obtaining a current value of a Management Information base 8 (MIB) variable stored in a managed network device which, when executed by 9 the processor, cause the processor to carry out the steps of: 10 receiving a connection of a Web browser to the network device; 11 receiving at the network device an HTTP request message from the browser to 12 obtain the current value of the MIB variable; 13 receiving the current value of the MIB variable from the MIB of the network 14 device; and 15 communicating the current value of the MIB variable from the network device 16 to the browser using an HTTP reply message. 1 17. (Amended) A computer-readable medium carrying one or more sequences of one or more 2 instructions for obtaining a current value of a Management Information base (MIB) 3 variable stored in a managed network device in a network, the one or more sequences 4 of one or more instructions including instructions which, when executed by one or more processors, cause the one or more processors to perform the steps of: 6 receiving a connection of a Web browser to the network device; 7 receiving at the network device an HTTP request message from the browser to 8 obtain the current value of the MIB variable; 9 receiving the current value of the MIB variable from the MIB of the network 10 device; and 11 communicating the current value of the MIB variable from the network device 12 to the browser using an HTTP reply message. 23. (Amended) An HTTP browser program including a plug-in executable software element 1 2 configured for obtaining a current value of a Management Information Base (MIB) variable stored in a managed network device in a network and which, when executed

	4	by a processor that executes the browser, causes the processor to carry out the steps
	5	of:
	6	receiving a connection of a Web browser to the network device;
	7	receiving at the network device an HTTP request message from the browser to obtain
	8	the current value of the MIB variable;
	9	receiving the current value of the MIB variable from the MIB of the network device;
	10	and
/	11	communicating the current value of the MIB variable from the network device to the
7	12	browser using an HTTP reply message.
	1	24. (Amended) An applet executable in a browser program and configured for obtaining a
	2	current value of a Management Information Base (MIB) variable stored in a managed
	3	network device in a network and which, when executed by the browser, causes the
	4	browser to carry out the steps of:
	5	receiving a connection of a Web browser to the network device;
	6	receiving at the network device an HTTP request message from the browser to obtain
	7	the current value of the MIB variable;
	8	receiving the current value of the MIB variable from the MIB of the network device;
	9	and
	10	communicating the current value of the MIB variable from the network device to the
	11	browser using an HTTP reply message.